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## **Joint Committee on Finance Votes to Expand FamilyCare/IRIS to Rock County**

Madison, WI...State Representative John Nygren (R-Marinette), Assembly Co-Chair of the Joint Committee on Finance released the following statement regarding the bipartisan effort to expand FamilyCare/IRIS into Rock County:

"I'm proud to continue expanding these important services to our most vulnerable. Back in March, when the Joint Committee on Finance held four public hearings across the state, time after time, concerned citizens waited hours in line to voice the importance of long-term care services (LTC). It was the personal stories and passion that made today possible," said Nygren.

Assembly Bill 453 requires the Department of Health Services (DHS) to make LTC services under FamilyCare and IRIS (Include, Respect, I Self-Direct) programs open to eligible individuals in Rock County by July 1, 2016.

"Over 200 individuals are currently on the waiting list for legacy waiver enrollment. This important measure will help them get the care they need now. I thank Representative Amy Loudenberg on her leadership on this measure, the citizens of the 31<sup>st</sup> Assembly district are better off because of her."

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